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A copy of the European Search Report for the European Patent Application No. 03252917, completed July 8, 2003 is enclosed herewith.

As no examination has yet to occur, Applicant believes that no fee is due with this IDS filing.

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